holding high posts in the department; and if the answer is in the negative,

(e) whether the present Commissioner of Police is a graduate: and on the other hand, if the answer to question (d) is in the affirmative,

(f) whether there are no non-graduates in the Police Department qualified for undergoing Vellore training?

Mr. P. DAMODARA MENON.

(a) The member is referred to the answer to parts (iii) and (iv) of question No. 44.

(b) Yes.

(c) No answer is necessary in view of that furnished to (a).

(d) Government think that persons with higher educational qualifications will generally be more fitted for holding high appointments than non-graduates.

(e) No.

(f) Government would prefer graduates for higher posts.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

163. Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) whether the Commissioner of Police was consulted in the selection of candidates for Vellore training;

(b) whether he was asked to recommend names of officials in the Police Department who are qualified for undergoing Vellore training; and if so,

(c) whether he recommended any one from the Police Department, and if he recommended,

(d) why his recommendations were rejected;

(e) whether the Commissioner of Police was asked to recommend any one from outside the Police Department, and whether he recommended any such one?

Mr. P. DAMODARA MENON.

(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) Yes

(d) The candidate recommended was not a graduate.

(e) No

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

164. Will the Government be pleased to state, whether the Commissioner of Police recommended the names of the candidates now selected for Vellore training?

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Mr. P. DAMODARA MENON.

The answer is in the negative.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

165. Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) the qualifications of the candidates now sent for Police training;

(b) whether any one of them has been in Police service before;

(c) whether the Government has read the following in the *Lokaprakasam* published under the heading "എന്തു" പ്രത്യേക കാരണംകൊണ്ടാണ് ഇവരെ രഹസ്യമായി തിരഞ്ഞെടുത്തതു് എന്നുള്ള വിവരം പൊതുജനങ്ങളെ അറിയിക്കുവാനുള്ള ഒരു മുഖവുര ഗവർമ്മെന്റിലേക്കുണ്ട്";

(d) the reason for selecting them;

(e) whether the Government has read the following sentences in the same article:—"ഈ മാതിരി അനീതിനമ്മുടെ ഇപ്പോഴത്തെ കൊച്ചു ഗവർമ്മെണ്ടല്ലാതെ വേറെ ഒരു ഗവർമ്മെണ്ടും ചെയ്യുമെന്നു തോന്നുന്നില്ല?"

Mr. P. DAMODARA MENON.

(a) The member is referred to the Diwan's Proceedings referred to in the answer to question No. 11.

(b) The answer is in the negative.

(c) Yes.

(d) They were suitable candidates for undergoing training.

(e) Yes.

The Extension of the period of the Police Commissioner.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

166. Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) whether the Government has any objection, in view of the growing discontent among the Police officers, to extend the period of the present Commissioner of Police,

(b) whether the Government has requested the British Government to extend the period of service of the present Commissioner; and if the answer is in the negative,

(c) whether the Government is willing to do so?

Mr. P. DAMODARA MENON.

(a) Government are not aware of any growing discontent among the Police officers.

(b) No.

(c) The time has not arrived for entertaining any wish in the matter.

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